THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) The indigenous production and export of textiles during the last three years were as follows:

	Unit	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94
Yarn	Million KGS	1806	1895	2067
Fabric (millmade, handloom, powerloom, khadi, wool & silk)	Million SQM	22978	25475	27902

(i) Production of yarn and fabrics (millmade, handloon, powerloom, khadi, wool & silk):

(ii) Exports of Textiles (including Coir, Jute and Handicrafts)

In Million US Dollar

1991-92	5796.84
1992-93	6599.62
1993-94	7973.91

(b) No, Sir. In fact the market price of cotton has been much above the minimum support price for quite some time now.

(c) No, Sir.

Prices of Cotton

2374. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the price of cotton in the world market and price of Indian Textile exports;

(b) the price of cotton paid to the farmers in India and the value-addition made to the cotton by textile industry;

(c) whether the price of cotton paid to the farmers in the country is for less as compared to the international market; and

(d) if so, whether the difference of the two will be paid to the farmers who have been compelled to sell their raw produce at lesser prices to the textile industry to make its competitive in the global market?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) A statement is attached *{see* below).

(b) The Indian fanners are free to sell their cotton at the market price which are ruling more than 100% (for different varieties of cotton) above the Minimum Support Price which is fixed by the Government, based on cost of production and adequate remuneration to the farmers. Prices of cotton in different countries depend on various factors which are not directly comparable.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

(a) Statement showing International prices-of foreign varities of cotton

Date 13-3-95

Countries	Variety	Price in Rs. per candy (F.O.B.)
USA	OPLN TEXAS SL	27,000
USA	Memphis	28,400
Paraguary	MDD	26,850
DS	DENASAN SLM	28,000
USA	SJV	30,000
USA	PMA	32,000

TEXTILE EXPORTS *Figures in Million US dollers*

(Figures in brackets Rupees Crore)

	1993-94
1 COTTON TEXTILES:	
A. Cotton Yarn (incl. sewing thread)	511.53 (1605.28)
(i) Mill Made	407.62 (1279.12)
(ii) Powerloom	599.14 (1880.10)
(iii) Knitted	70.94 (222.60)
(iv) Handloom	413.56 (1297.75)
Total "B"	1491.26 (4679.57)
C. SILK Textiles.	252.39 (791.99)
D. Wool & Woollen Textiles Excl. Woollen Acrylic Knit -wears & RMG.	192.83 (605.10)
E. Man-made Fibre Textiles (Excl. Knitwear & RMG)	588.54 (1846.84)
F. Apparel (All Fibre, RMG & Knitwear except silk)	3640.74 (11424.65)
GRANDTOTAL	6577.34 (20953.48)

Domestic prices of different varieties of cotton as on 15-3-95

Domestic variety	price Rs. per candy
J-34 SG	21,100
F-414	23,300
LRA	20,500
H-4A	21,000
S-6	24,000
DCH-32	31,500

As per ICMF study in 1993 export of one lakh bales of cotton fetch Rs. 60 crores. If yarn made out of same quantity of cotton is exported it brings Rs. 119 crores. If cotton fabric made out of equivalent quantity of cotton is exported it fatches Rs. 150 crores and cotton garments made out of the same quantity of cotton bring Rs. 400-500 crores.

Restriction on the Sale of Cotton

2375. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the •Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the restrictions on the cotton growers on the sale of their produce at places of their choice in the country will be removed;

(b) if so, by when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) to (c) There is no restriction on cotton growers on the sale of their produce at places of their choice except in the State of Maharashtra where a cotton grower can